

REMARKS

Applicant requests favorable consideration and allowance of the subject application in view of the preceding amendments and the following remarks.

To place the subject application in better form, a new Abstract is presented in accordance with preferred practice.

Claims 19-22 are presented for consideration in lieu of claims 1-18 which have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 19 and 22 are independent. Claim 1 has been canceled and claims 19-22 have been added to recite additional features of the subject invention. Support for these claims can be found in the original application as filed. Therefore, no new matter has been added.

Applicant submits that claims 19-22 patentably define features of the scan type exposure apparatus and the device manufacturing method of the present invention. Therefore, Applicant submits that the instant application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and an early Notice of Allowance are requested.

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